(c) and (d) The remaining cases have also been decided. Pension has not been sanctioned in these cases.

Review committee to study Motor Vehicles Act, 1988

1699. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a review committee has been appointed by the Government to review the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988;

(b) if so, what are the terms of reference of the review committee;

(c) whether the review committee has submitted its report to the Government;

(d) if so, what are the salient features of the recommendations/suggestions made by the committee; and

(e) what is the decision, if any, taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Committee's terms of reference are to review the provisions of the Act and rules made thereunder, with a view to looking into genuine difficulties experienced by various users and interests in the implementation thereof and taking into account the representations and suggestions received to make suitable recommendations for modifications, amendments, etc. for removal of such difficulties.

(c) The Committee's report is under finalisation and is expected to be submitted by 15.9.90.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Political rights of people of Indian origin in Fiji

1700. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Fiji continues to deny political rights to the people of Indian origin there; and

(b) if so, what diplomatic measures have been taken by Government so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of India has taken up the issue with concerned countries on a bilateral basis. It has also raised it at appropriate international fora including the 1989 Non-Aligned Movement Summit, 1987 and 1989 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, 1987, 1988 1989 Sessions of the United Nations General Assembly, the Human Rights Sub-Commission for Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and Vulnerable Groups, 1990 Session of the Human Rights Commission, 1990 Meeting of the UN Committee on Programme and Coordination and 1990 Session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

News items captioned 'sale of jobs in the rural post office of Nalanda Distt. of Bihar

1701. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the report appearing in the Hindu, dated 14th June, 1990 regarding sale of jobs in

the rural post office of Nalanda District of Bihar alleging involvement of the Superintendent of Post Offices and the Inspector of Post-Office;

(b) whether Government have made any inquiry in this regard; and

(c) if so, what is the outcome thereof stating the action taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Appointment made by Inspector Post Offices for ID Packer, Karai-Parsurai in Nalanda was cancelled on 25.7.1990 and fresh appointment ordered. Inspector Post Offices, Hilsa Division was transferred from there and all other appointments made by him were ordered to be reviewed. Further enquiry into the allegations is in progress.

Inquiry into deficiencies in the functioning of Doordarshan

1702. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what action has been taken by Government to inquire into the irregularities in maintaining account of commercial telecasts, improper categorisation of telecasts, running of "freedom run" programmes without authority, by Doordarshan as pointed out by the C&AG in a recent report; and

(b) what action is contemplated by Government to remove the deficiencies in the functioning of Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) and (b) The report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on Doordarshan Commercial Service has been received by the Government very recently and the report, including the matter raised in the question, is under examination by the Government.

Import of Chinese arms by Nepal

1703. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister of Nepal during his last visit to India assured that Nepal will not import arms from China; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that on return of the Prime Minister to Nepal the arms consignment had arrived from China?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH): (a) Before his visit to India from June 8-10-1990, Prime Minister K. P. Bhattarai of Nepal reportedly told journalists in Kathmandu that the last consignment of arms from China to Nepal would be indefinitely deferred.

(b) After his return to Nepal, this last consignment of arms from China reportedly reached Nepal.

Expenses of ministers

1704. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total expenditure incurred on each Minister towards travelling, telephone, housing, water, power, entertainment and other "out